

Transportation



In the latest State of the Region Report, Southern California received an “F” for transportation mobility. The region has been the most congested in the country for the past two decades. Nearly 75% of drivers still drive alone and less than 13% carpool. Our rail system and major freeways are reaching capacity due to continuous growth in the movement of goods. We need solutions now.

The Regional Comprehensive Plan

Did You Know

- ▶ 40% of Southern California's energy consumption is used for transportation - The transportation system accounts for up to 40% of the global warming problem.
- ▶ The average driver in Southern California uses 790 gallons of fuel each year and spends about \$2,500 in gas, much of that because of traffic.
- ▶ Highway accidents are the leading cause of death for people between the ages of 4-33.
- ▶ Our local ports handle 40% of the nation's maritime trade. Within 20 years, we will be handling over 70 % more containers.
- ▶ Los Angeles International Airport is the 5th busiest airport in the nation.

Strategic Priorities

- ▶ Preserve our aging infrastructure with sufficient investment—pay now or pay a lot more later.
- ▶ Strategically expand the transportation system to maximize investment return and get the most out of our current system through the utilization of advanced transportation technologies.
- ▶ Locate future growth in areas that our current or planned transportation system can accommodate.
- ▶ Pursue innovative ways to fund transportation projects, including High Occupancy Toll Lanes, and public-private partnerships.

What SCAG Will Do

- ▶ Work with transportation agencies to develop regionally significant corridors.
- ▶ Work with Caltrans to develop corridor management plans that use technology to make the most of our systems.
- ▶ Support programs that manage travel demand through carpooling, transit, telecommuting, biking, and walking.
- ▶ Promote transit-oriented development by helping cities through its Compass Blueprint Demonstration projects.

What Communities Can Do

- ▶ Revise General Plan Circulation Elements to be consistent with the Compass Blueprint growth vision.
- ▶ Promote transit-oriented development by banding with other cities to seek assistance through SCAG's Compass Blueprint Demonstration program.
- ▶ Design and develop projects that are in sync with the RCP's strategic priorities

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